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Beware ! Vehicle Users

Lockdown Day 1: 388 vehicles seized

Seized vehicles parked at Devaraja Traffic Police Station premises.

Mysuru, May 11 (RK, KS & BCT)- The State Government clamped a total lockdown till May 24 to contain the massive spread of COVID-19 across the State from May 10 (yesterday). The order said people are allowed to step out only to buy essential things between 6 am and 10 am.

The first day of the lockdown, however, witnessed chaotic scenes in Mysuru where the Police tried to enforce rules without applying discretion leading to widespread criticism. Over enthusiastic Police were seen caning people and seizing vehicles and a total of 388 vehicles — 375 two-wheelers, 7 auto rickshaws and 6 cars — were seized. Vehicles will only be returned after the owners approach the individual Police Stations. If the owners repeat the violation, FIRs will be booked and the owners have to get their vehicles released from the Court, said the Police.

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Senior citizens can Call 0821-2418340

To get essentials delivered at doorstep as Police re-purpose 'Abhaya' initiative during lockdown

Dr. Chandragupta *Dr. Saleem*

Mysuru, May 11 (RK& BCT)- Senior citizens have been identified as the most vulnerable groups when it comes to the Coronavirus.

In Mysuru, for senior citizens living by themselves and hesitant to step outdoors owing to concerns regarding COVID-19, the Police have re-purposed the 'Abhaya' concept to offer assistance where senior citizens are helped with door-to-door delivery of groceries and other essentials.

Due to the restrictions on outside movement, seniors are unable to purchase and carry goods to their homes as there are curbs on vehicle movement too. They can now call 'Abhaya' helpline on 0821-2418340 and place their requirement for essential services. Volunteers will deliver their requirements to their doorstep. The senior citizens only have to pay for the goods and there will be no delivery charges, City Police Commissioner Dr. Chandragupta, who has re-purposed the scheme to suit COVID times, told *Star of Mysore*.

Apart from delivering items, the volunteers will also ensure that the seniors are safe at home. A volunteer is assigned based on the area the senior citizen is from, and the former takes down the list of groceries, accepts payment and delivers the essentials.

Keeping in mind the importance of social distancing, all volunteers have been instructed to place the groceries at the doorstep of the senior citizens as well as follow adequate precautions by wearing masks, gloves and using sanitiser.

"Several people and voluntary organisations have come forward and said that they would be ready to volunteer and help out senior citizens in their areas. We are creating a network for better co-ordination. In addition, Policemen have been assigned this work in every Police Station in city. Not only delivering things, other essentials like medicine supplies, paying electricity, water and telephone bills, payment of taxes, etc. will be carried out by the volunteers," Dr. Chandragupta said.

(See CITIZENS on page 7)

Vaccination: Booking over for 18-plus till May 17

- No slot for next one week at two Centres in city
- Mysureans book in neighbouring Taluks like T. Narasipur, Nanjangud, Periyapatna and H.D. Kote as there was no bar on making advance registration from any place in the District

Mysuru, May 11 (SSV)- The magical vaccine for the COVID-19 pandemic is not short of a box office Bollywood movie. The advance booking to take vaccine for the next one week ended in just 20 minutes after the official web portal was opened up.

"The booking for vaccination till May 17 is over. There is no slot available for the next one week at the two Centres (District Hospital and Charaka Hospital) in city," Dr. L. Ravi, Reproductive and Child Health Officer and Nodal Officer for COVID-19 vaccination in Government Hospitals, told *Star of Mysore*.

According to him, the first day of vaccination for people in the age group of 18 to 44 years, saw 99.5 per cent inoculation throughout the district. Of the total 1,200 vaccination target, as many as 1,100 persons had taken the jab till 4 pm yesterday. Many Mysureans had booked for vaccination not only in city but also in neighbouring Taluks like Nanjangud, T. Narasipur, Periyapatna and H.D. Kote as there was no bar on making advance registration from any place in the district. They went in private vehicles to get inoculated in other Taluks. The vaccination for this category is held in all Taluk General Hospitals.

(See BOOKING on page 7)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Tuesday 11th May 2021

Centre dispatches oxygen

Two of the six tankers to reach Dharwad tomorrow

Hubballi, May 11 (UNI) - Union Minister Prahlad Joshi said here on Monday that the Centre has dispatched six tankers containing a total of 30 Metric Tonnes of Liquid Medical Oxygen to Karnataka which will arrive in the State on Wednesday.

Speaking at a review meeting of the legislators and officials of Dharwad District, Joshi said two of the six tankers each carrying five Metric Tonnes of Oxygen will reach Dharwad from where the Oxygen will be distributed to the adjacent District of Belagavi and Vijayapura.

He said that so far the Centre has granted 150 Oxygen Plants to Karnataka along with 1,500 units of oxygen Concentrators to meet the demand for treating COVID-19 patients. Calling upon the people to cooperate with the Government's efforts to break the chain of COVID-19 pandemic by adhering to the COVID-19 guidelines strictly, he said every patient, whether rich or poor, is being treated equally under the Ayushman Bharath Scheme in the State.

Minister for Major and Medium Industries and State in-Charge for procuring Medical Oxygen, Jagadish Shettar said that he is in touch with the Union Railway Minister Piyush Goyal and had urged him to help Karnataka get additional supply of Oxygen. All necessary actions are being taken to ensure that there is no shortage of beds or Medical Oxygen in the State, he said.

Shettar also said that arrangements are being made to distribute at least 50,000 Medicine Kits containing Vitamin, Zinc and other relevant medicines to the needy families in the district to help prevent the pandemic.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

T. S. Shanbhag, who died recently, was not just a bookseller. He was an institution, larger than life. He was among the last brave warriors who struggled to keep his bookshop going as large multinationals threatened smaller businesses. His small Premiere, with its broken steps and overflowing books, was truly premier in all aspects — just like its owner, who not only loved books but was able to recognize others who did. Here is one instance — R.K. Narayan's The Writerly Life had just hit the stands in the early 2000s. Not surprisingly, Premier Bookshop had sold out all the copies by the time I arrived there. "Are you sure there is not even one left?" I pleaded. Shanbhag smiled sadly. He understood his readers' emotions where books were concerned.

"I can try next week," he said. I shook my head. I wanted the book for my son, who was boarding a flight to the US the same night. I turned away, disappointed. The bookseller said nothing. That night, we were having dinner when the doorbell rang. A smiling Shanbhag held out RKN's book. "This is for you," he told my son and vanished. I visited his bookstore the next day and discovered how he had managed this feat. "Someone had taken three copies yesterday. I requested them to return one which I would replace next week." I also discovered his "customer" lived in Basavanagudi in the south of this city. Shanbagh had travelled all the way to the northern end to deliver the book. But that was Shanbhag, a small bookseller with a big heart. They don't make people like that anymore, do they? — Vatsala Vedantam in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Largest collection of fast food toys

Manila: Percival Lugue, a graphic artist from the Philippines, has been collecting toys from various fast food chains since he was just 5-year-old. Now, at age 50, he holds the Guinness Record for the most fast food toys in the world, over 20,000 of them.

Lugue has held the record for the largest collection of fast food toys since 2014, when his tally stood at around 10,000 unique items, but he has been busy consolidating his record ever since and now he has more than 20,000 toys. Like any child, he always liked playing with the toys he got with his fast food meals, but he always took care of them, so he was able to start his epic collection pretty early. Over the years, he has collected new items from various fast food chains, like McDonald's, Burger King and even the Philippines' favourite brand, Jollibee and compares the excitement of adding a new toy to his collection to experiencing Christmas morning as a kid.

Feline model that earns more than humans

Chongqing: A two-year-old British Shorthair cat from Chongqing, China, working as a professional cat model is earning between 5,000 yuan (775 dollars) and 10,000 yuan (1,550 dollars) per appearance.

The cat -Mao Mao - rising to fame was somewhat of an accident. Her owner, a man surnamed Zheng, works in the automotive industry and during an auto show he had the brilliant idea of putting his pet cat into one of the cars. That immediately drew a crowd of people who couldn't wait to snap a photo of the cute feline and share it on their social media pages. That meant more exposure for the car brands, so Zheng started promoting Mao Mao as a cat model to car brands looking for extra attention. Nowadays, the cat is a household name at auto shows and routinely lands a few appearances per month.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Rheumatoid Arthritics of the knee

Leading to thickening and inflammation around the joints of the tissue, Rheumatoid arthritis is an autoimmune illness. Most of the times, chronic inflammation can damage the cartilage. Out of 15 percent of the arthritis, 10 percent are those of rheumatoid arthritis.

By Dr. Ravikiran - Consultant Orthopedics and Joint Replacement Surgeon

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** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Stanford Researchers injected two immune boosters into a mouse's tumour. The treatment destroyed the tumour, then went on to destroy all other cancerous tumours in the mouse's body. Repeating the test, all cancers were destroyed in 87 out of 90 mice.

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

DATES	MAY 9	MAY 10
Day's Positive Cases	1,854	1,537
Total Positive Cases	98,747	1,00,284
Day's Discharges	2,667	2,706
Total Discharges	81,819	84,525
Day's Deaths	13	7
Total Deaths	1,327	1,334
Total Active Cases	15,601	14,425

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

Ship carrying 40 MT medical oxygen reaches Mangaluru

Mangaluru, May 11 (UNI) - INS Kolkata reached New Mangalore Port (NMP) on Monday carrying 40 MT of medical oxygen filled in ISO tanks from Kuwait.

It also carried five tonnes of oxygen cylinders and four high flow oxygen concentrators. The vessel arrived at berth number 7 and the work of unloading the tanks is in progress, according to NMP sources. The distribution of the oxygen will be decided by the State Government. As part of the Samudra Setu-II, the Indian Naval ship had recently reached Port Shuwaikh in Kuwait to get liquid medical oxygen and other medical items to India.

Earlier, 'INS Talwar,' carrying 40 Metric Tonnes (MT) of liquid medical oxygen filled in ISO cryogenic containers had arrived at the NMP on May 6.

REALLY...?

- *Tupperware was invented by Earl Tupper in 1938. The lid design was inspired by a paint can. Wonderbowl, the first product, introduced the "burp seal" Tupperware is named as one of the greatest inventions of the 20th Century by Guinness Book of World Records.*
- *Disposable paper cups contain 5% polyurethane plastic, making composting and recycling of disposable cups extremely rare.*
- *Half a trillion disposable cups are manufactured annually around the world; that's over 70 disposable cups for every person on the planet.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

After a terrible fight...

Wife: I want to hear a last word from your mouth and after that, I will permanently go to my mother's house.

Husband: "Taaaxi !"

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.41
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 103.59
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.99
1 Euro	= Rs. 89.06

VOICE OF THE READER

Lockdown: Allow vehicles between 6 am and 10 am

Sir,

Imposition of 'Janata Curfew' or 'Lockdown' to avoid spread of Corona in the State, though a good idea, needs some rethinking. Mysuru City Police have directed that no vehicle will be allowed 'even' between 6 am and 10 am. That means people have to walk the distance to buy their requirements.

The area where we stay doesn't have such a facility and we have to walk a minimum of 1 $^{1}/_{2}$ km. Being a senior citizen people like me find it very difficult. Instead of being over enthusiastic, City Police should allow vehicles during the relaxation period, that is between 6 am and 10 am daily.

Any violations may be handled in a tough manner. Hope, the Police authorities will review their decision.

—A Senior Citizen
K.C. Layout
10.5.2021

Postpone your property registration till May 23

State Government orders closure of all Sub-Registrar Offices

Queue at a Sub-Registrar Office in city last week.

Mysuru, May 11 (RK&SSV)- Planned registration of properties? Better you postpone it by at least two weeks following the State Government's directives for the closure of all Sub-Registrar Offices across the State till May 23.

This has come into effect since yesterday in the wake of second wave of COVID-19 pandemic which was causing record increase in Corona positive cases and claiming lives of at least 450 people daily.

Stamp duty was one of the major revenue earners for the State exchequer along with Excise and RTO. Not bothered about revenue, the Government, in the interest of lives of people, has ordered the closing down of all the Sub-Registrar Offices all over the State till May 23. However, the employees have been asked to be present in their respective work places.

The Government's action followed reports of crowding of people at Sub-Registrar Offices for registration of properties without following Corona Appropriate Behaviour such as wearing mask and maintaining social distance. As a precautionary measure, it has been decided to shut those offices till May 23.

In Mysuru District, there are 14 Sub-Registrar Offices of which five are in city. Each Office has 75 staff which included Sub-Registrar, DTP Operator, Deed Writer and others. Each office was witnessing 30-50 registrations prior to outbreak of Coronavirus. It declined to hardly 15-20 during the recent Corona Curfew. Till May 23, there will be no registration activity, said Vivek, Sub-Registrar, Mysuru North Office.

The five Sub-Registrar Offices are: Mysuru East - Dr. Raj Kumar Road, Mysuru West - near Vijayanagar Water Tank, Mysuru North - Mini Vidhana Soudha, Mysuru South - Ramakrishnanagar and at Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) Office.

Reason for closing down these offices has been mandatory signature by at least 10 persons for each transaction. Going by that, for 20 registrations there will be at least 200 persons at one time.

Apart from this, people have to take off the mask to pose for picture that need to be carried along with property documents. They have to give thumb impression too. With possibilities of this office becoming a super spreader, it has been decided to shut the Offices till May 23.

"Upload details of Oxygen, Remdesivir, Bed Allocation in SAST Portal on real time basis"

Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan reviews State COVID War Room management

Bengaluru, May 11 (SSV)- Deputy Chief Minister and State COVID-19 Ministerial Task Force Chairman Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan has directed officials to immediately integrate the real time data of the supply of oxygen, anti-viral drug Remdesivir and bed allocated under Government quota in Private Hospitals to Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust (SAST) portal.

Speaking to reporters after reviewing the management in the State COVID War Room here yesterday, he said without integrating the above data in the SAST portal, it would not be possible to deliver services in a systematic way. Officers have been instructed to link all the above mentioned data to the portal *(http://arogya.karnataka.gov.in/)* within 3 days, he said adding that the above data should be displayed in the SAST portal on real time basis. This will enable to know who needs what and to whom the supplied things are reaching on real time basis. Ultimately this would result in streamlining the COVID services management, he noted.

Hospitals and labs have been strictly instructed to provide results of RT- PCR tests within 24 hours of the sample collection. Currently, considering the overall State average, the time taken to provide results has been reduced to 2 days from the earlier 4 to 5 days. But, measures will be taken to further reduce it to give results within 24 hours. The labs which delay giving results are being fined Rs. 150 per case, he said.

At present, there is a demand for about 7,000 beds in Bengaluru City. To put a check on those who get unnecessarily hospitalised, triaging of these bed-seekers will be done in 60 L-1 (includes Maternity Homes, Medical Colleges and COVID Care Centres) and L-2 centres (PHCs). After triaging the number of beds, really needed may reduce to around 2,500. Now the Government is providing 1,000 beds apart from the beds reserved in Private Hospitals, Dr. Ashwathnarayan pointed out.

Legal action will be taken against those who try to take advantage of the situation and sell drugs, pulse oximeter, etc., at a higher price. These should not be sold at a higher price than MRP. The public can lodge complaints by calling 112 if they find such incidents, he noted.

Meanwhile, the Government has decided to procure 2 lakh pulse oximeters and out of this 25,000 will be procured immediately in the first phase.

Political Advisor to the Chief Minister, Prashanth Prakash, Senior IAS Officers V. Ponnuraj, Munish Moudgil, Arundhati Chandrashekar, P. Pradeep, Giri Gowda, SAST Portal Executive Director N.T. Abroo and KAS Officer Rajendra Kumara were present at the meeting.

CM forms Task Force to face COVID-19 third wave

Yediyurappa

Bengaluru, May 11 (SSV)- Bitten hard in the current wave of COVID-19 pandemic for lack of preparedness, Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa has suggested officials to constitute a Task Force following experts opinion on the possible third wave of pandemic in the coming months.

Speaking at a meeting of his Ministers and top brass of various Departments here yesterday, the CM directed the Departments concerned to start preparations for the third wave from today itself.

Requirements like sufficient supply of oxygen, Remdesivir injection, medicines and ICU beds must be kept ready well in advance instead of trying to manage at the last minute. In the wake of acute shortage of oxygen in all districts, more so in Bengaluru City, Yediyurappa asked officers to set up oxygen manufacturing units in all Government Hospitals and Medical Colleges across the State. This will avoid scramble for life saving oxygen during eleventh hour, he said.

"Every Minister must discharge his given duty in COVID management without any shortfall," he said. He stressed on strict implementation of total lockdown mainly to prevent unnecessary movement of people to break the chain.

To avoid crowding of people in markets, four hours shopping time has been given within which they must return home. The CM wanted to have a special attention on allotment of beds to Corona positive patients and to supply Remdesivir injection as per requirement.

The beds in Private Hospitals must be viewed seriously and any irregularities in the allotment of oxygen, Remdesivir injection or beds must be checked by taking stern action. The War Room must still work better, he added. Legislators and Ministers must stay in their Constituency to bring the contagion under control, the CM stated.

NEWS BRIEFS

Gandhalepana Seva on May 14

On the occasion of Akshaya Trithiya, Sri Gandhalepana Seva to Sri Mukhyapranadevaru and Sri Raghavendraswamy will be held on May 14 at Sri Raghavendra Mutt in Krishnamurthypuram. Devotees who wish to contribute to the Seva can contact the Mutt administration. For details, contact Srinath on Ph: 83174-96691, according to a release.

Last date extended

Taluk Backward Classes Welfare Department, which had invited applications from eligible students belonging to nomadic and semi-nomadic tribal community for availing post-matric student scholarships, fee reduction, Vidyasiri, food and hostel facility as well as nursing students for scholarships, for the year 2020-21, has extended the last date for submission of applications to May 15. For details, visit https://bcwd.karnataka.gov.in or contact Ph: 080-35254757 or Mob: 80507-70005 or 80507-70004, according to a press release.

Ph.D awardee

The University of Mysore has awarded Ph.D in Microbiology to S.K. Ramya Urs for her thesis 'Isolation and characterization of bioactive compounds from the members of solanaccae against oral pathogenic bacteria from diabetic patients' submitted under the guidance of Dr. N. Lakshmidevi.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80	feet
Today	:	93.29	feet
Yesterday	:	93.18	feet
Inflow	:	130	cusecs
Outflow	:	420	cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2258.60	feet
Inflow	:	548	cusecs
Outflow	:	725	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,820.09	feet
Inflow	:	172	cusecs
Outflow	:	80	cusecs

Mysterious death of a boy at Periyapatna

Court orders registration of case against three school staff after six years

Periyapatna, May 11 (Veeresh &KS)- The Periyapatna JMFC Court has ordered registration of cases against three staff of Pushpa Convent at Periyapatna in a case pertaining to the death of an LKG student, whose body was found floating in a lake adjacent to the school six years ago.

The Judge, who took up the hearing, ordered registration of cases against R.D. Asha, Sr. Lissy Rose and Fr. Johnson of Pushpa Convent. The Judge also ordered summons against the accused and postponed the hearing to May 27.

Details

On June 12, 2015, Sanmith, son of BJP leader Sohan Kumar, an LKG student at Pushpa Convent was found dead, with his body found floating in the lake adjacent to the school.

Sohan Kumar, alleging that the school staff had killed his son and threw the body in the lake, had lodged a complaint at Periyapatna Police Station. The Police, who conducted an investigation, had submitted a charge-sheet to the Court and had told the Court that the boy had committed suicide.

But Sohan Kumar, opposing the charge-sheet submitted to the Court by the Police had registered a PCR Case at the Court. Sohan had stated in his complaint that though his son was murdered, the

Sanmith

Police, supporting the school management had submitted a charge-sheet to the Court mentioning that Sanmith had committed suicide. He had also urged the Court to register a case against the school staff under IPC Section 302 (Murder) and conduct investigation.

Sohan has also stated in his complaint that on June 2, 2014, the Management of Pushpa Convent had made the students, who had not paid the fees to stand under the sun. The School had taken more fees that the prescribed fees following which the parents under his leadership had staged a protest. A protest was also staged in front of the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Mysuru against the irregularities at the school. Following the protest, the DDPI had ordered the School Administrative Board to return a total of Rs. 32 lakh to the parents, Sohan said in his complaint and alleged that the School Management was taking revenge on him.

Sohan has further stated that on June 8, 2015, when he had gone to the School seeking admission to his son Sanmith to LKG, the School Head not only refused admission to his son but also threw away the documents pertaining to his son's admission. Later, Head of the School Administrative Board George intervened at his son was given admission to LKG.

But on June 10, 2015, when he (Sohan) went to the school in the afternoon to bring his son Sanmith back, he (Sanmith) was found missing following which he had lodged a complaint at Periyapatna Police Station. Sohan has further stated in the complaint that though the entire CCTV footages were checked, there were no clues about his son.

On June 11, the Police along with the Fire and Emergency Services personnel conducted a search in the lake adjacent to the School, but could not trace Sanmith's body. When he asked the School Management to open a few locked class rooms and toilets to conduct search, the school staff had opposed it and the Police did not bother and turned negligent towards his plea.

But the next day, his son's body was found floating in the lake and Sohan alleged that the School staff had killed his son, kept his body in one of the locked class rooms and later threw the body in the lake. He also stated that there is a 5 ft. wall between the school and the lake and as there are thorny bushes around the lake, children could not venture near the lake let alone jumping inside it. Despite these facts, the then Periyapatna Sub-Inspector Chikkaswamy, Mysuru Rural Circle Inspector D. Ashok and DySP Vikram Amte had submitted a charge-sheet to the Court mentioning that Sanmith had committed suicide.

Sohan had alleged that the Police neither arrested the accused nor obtained statements from them. He (Sohan) has also stated that if the boy had really drowned in the lake, it should have been mentioned in the post-mortem report. But blood had oozed out from the boy's ears and nose and his tongue was protruding from his mouth. Sohan had furnished the post-mortem report to the Court and a total of 11 documents were submitted to the Court including two reports published in *Mysuru Mithra*, sister concern of *Star of Mysore*.

The Judge, who took up the hearing, ordered cases be registered against the three staff of the School and deferred the hearing to May 27. Retired Assistant Public Prosecutor Mohan Rao and advocate Dhananjay of Periyapatna argued on behalf of Sohan Kumar.

Centre asks NIMHANS to aid children and women with its Helpline numbers

Mysuru, May 11- Following observation from medical experts that the possible third COVID wave might severely affect children, the Union Government has asked the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro-Sciences (NIMHANS) to provide support with its two Helplines, 1098 for children and 1091 for women.

Experts have warned that the third wave of Coronavirus is most likely to affect children, which in all likelihood might increase psychological distress level in both women and children.

The Union Government has now asked NIMHANS to provide assistance and counselling through its Helpline numbers by trained mental health professionals.

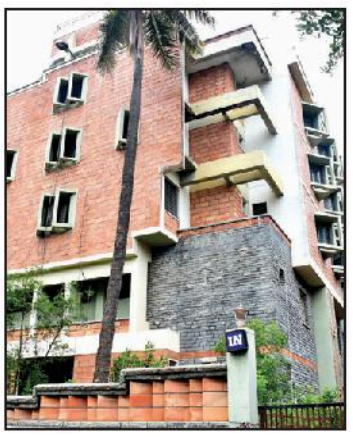
Speaking to press persons, Head of Centre for Disaster Management, NIMHANS, Dr. K. Shekar said, "We have two helpline numbers for women and children. The Ministry of Women and Child Development has asked our institution to provide assistance with trained mental health professionals so that they can address the issues of women and children that may arise as a result of the third wave and its impact on children. We currently have 40 professional volunteers. We have split them into two tertiary and secondary groups to handle the two Helplines."

Utilise defunct Basappa Memorial Hospital as COVID Health Centre

N. Rajkumar

Mysuru, May 11- Mysuru BJP Media Pramukh N. Rajkumar has urged the district administration to utilise the defunct Basappa Memorial Hospital (BMH) as COVID Health Centre.

In a press release, BJP District Media Pramukh N. Rajkumar has said, "Seth Mohandas Tulsidas Hospital on JLB Road has recently been readied and operationalised by Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), District Administration (Health Department) along with Cauvery Heart and Multi-Speciality Hospital. It has now been designated as a high-tech 100-bed COVID Health Centre in city. The district administration should also consider utilising the defunct Basappa Memorial Hospital to treat and rehabilitate infected patients."



He has also urged the administration to distribute food packets every day to homeless persons in city through ISKCON's meal project, as most of them are struggling to survive due to lockdown.

Apollo BGS Hospital launches

vaccination drive for 18-44 age group

A nurse is seen vaccinating a youth at the Special Vaccination Booth set up at Ganabharathi premises in Kuvempunagar this morning. [Pic. by Pragathi Gopalakrishna]

- **Special Vaccination Booth set up at Ganabharathi premises in Kuvempunagar**
- **Vaccines priced as per Central Government guidelines**
- **Eligible individuals must register on CoWIN app for appointment**

Mysuru, May 11 - The second wave of infection has seen younger patients getting affected and vaccinating everyone above the age of 18 will help in stopping the relentless rise in COVID-19 cases and bring a COVID-free future closer to reality.

Considering the same, the Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, today launched vaccination for individuals between the ages of 18 to 44 years.

Apollo Hospitals is among the first within the Indian Private Hospitals to begin COVID-19 vaccinations in the third phase of the COVID-19 vaccination drive after the Central Government opening up vaccinations to all citizens above the age of 18.

Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru, as part of Apollo Hospitals Group, will administer vaccines as per Government guidelines to eligible individuals who have registered on the CoWIN app and have made an appointment for the vaccine jab at Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru.

The vaccination programme will begin with limited quantities and be ramped up in the weeks ahead.

Apollo BGS Hospitals will also be organising special camps for corporates. The vaccines would be priced as per the guidelines issued by the Central Government.

The vaccines will be administered for vaccination registrants by trained and experienced nursing staff of Apollo BGS Hospitals at Veene Seshanna Bhavana (Ganabharathi), Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, according to a press release from N.G. Bharateesha Reddy, Vice-President & Unit Head, Apollo BGS Hospitals, Mysuru.

For details contact Ph: 0821-256 6666 or 256 8888 or 4242788.

Two Corona positive women deliver babies in ambulance

One baby survives, another dies

Mysuru, May 11 (MTY&SSV)- Two Corona positive women from T. Narasipur Taluk have delivered babies in ambulances in two separate incidents in last two days.

Unfortunately, while one new-born survived, another pre-matured baby died.

Savi (name changed), 26 years, from Talakad village, developed delivery pain and was taken to Taluk Hospital. Before admitting her, the COVID test was conducted on her and it showed positive. Then she was advised to go to Smt. Lakshmidevamma Shankar Shetty Maternity Hospital in Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru which has been converted into COVID Maternity Hospital.

An ambulance driver, upon requesting him to shift her to Mysuru Hospital, refused on the ground that the contagion may spread to others. But, after advise by local doctors, the driver agreed to shift the patient to Mysuru.

As the ambulance approached Varuna, she delivered in the vehicle and was assisted by a nurse. She was advised not to touch the new-born fearing spread of infection. Later, they were shifted to COVID Maternity Hospital where they were doing well.

Doctors have planned swab test on the baby and shift both of them to Cheluvamba Hospital.

In the second incident, Kavya (name changed), 21 years, of Doddamalagodu village, was six months pregnant, and had fever for last two to three days. On testing, she had got COVID. She was scared and tensed after hearing this. She experienced heavy bleeding and doctors advised her parents to shift to COVID Maternity Hospital.

While they were nearing Siddharthanagar, she experienced labour pain but the baby was dead. She was shifted to Maternity Hospital where she under treatment.

100 staff of MM Hills temple to serve as volunteers at COVID Hospital

Chamarajanagar, May 11- Around 100 employees of Male Mahadeshwara Hills (MM Hills) temple have turned into volunteers, to serve the District COVID Hospital in Chamarajanagar.

Responding to an appeal by the District Administration, for volunteers to tackle the COVID pandemic, the employees serving in various posts, under Male Mahadeshwara Swamy Temple Development Authority, have come forward to work at the COVID Hospitals across the district.

In a press release, Authority Secretary Jayavibhavaswamy has said that there was a need for additional security and housekeeping personnel to serve at the District Hospital and COVID Care Centres. As devotees are not visiting the temple now, our employees have been deputed at the Hospitals. We will continue to serve the public in future also, the release stated.

First 'Oxygen Express' arrives in Bengaluru

1,833 km — from Jamshedpur to State Capital — traversed in a record time of 29 hours through green corridor

Bengaluru, May 11 (BCT)- The first 'Oxygen Express' to Karnataka, with six cryogenic containers carrying Liquid Medical Oxygen arrived at Inland Container Depot, Whitefield in Bengaluru this morning at 9.35. The train had started from Tatanagar in Jamshedpur, Jharkhand yesterday at 3 am.

It is the first Container Corporation of India Limited's (CONCOR) Oxygen Express and was received at Whitefield by CONCOR Managing Director Anup Dayanand Sadhu. The train carrying 120 tonnes of liquid oxygen — carried by CONCOR's BLCM rake — arrived in record time of 29 hours under the signal-free green corridor.

The green corridor was created by the Railways to enable swift transport of this 'Oxygen Express' — this train has run stoppage free and has not had to wait for crossing/passage of another train. It traversed a distance of 1,833 km with average speed of 55.66 kmph. Each cryogenic container carried 20 tonnes Liquid Medical Oxygen and the total tonnage is 120 tonnes.

On May 1, 2021, the Government of Karnataka had requested Indian Railways to assist in transportation of oxygen. Indian Railways had stepped up their assistance immediately and responded positively to the request of State Government. A ramp was built at Satellite Goods Terminal, Whitefield for easy loading/unloading Oxygen Trucks (RoRo model roll-on/roll-off where wheeled cargo is carried).

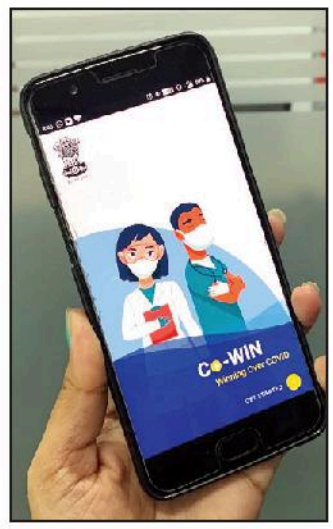
Railways has taken a lot of care in smooth transport of oxygen throughout the country by ensuring green corridor, efficient maintenance of assets and several concessions such as exemption of development surcharge, busy season surcharge, terminal access charge, etc. for oxygen container transport.

So far, throughout India, over 75 'Oxygen Express' trains have transported more than 4,700 Million Tonnes of Oxygen for COVID-19 patients in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Telangana, Rajasthan, Delhi, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh. This 'Oxygen Express' is expected to bring relief to COVID-19 patients of Karnataka and strengthen the collective effort in the fight against the pandemic.

Cryogenic Containers being loaded at Jamshedpur (Tatanagar).

CONCOR Managing Director Anup Dayanand Sadhu and team receiving the Oxygen Express.

CoWIN gets 4-digit security code to minimise vaccination errors



NewDelhi, May11 (Agencies)- In view of complaints by several users that they received notification of vaccination dose administered to them irrespective of missing their appointments made on CoWIN, the Union Health Ministry has introduced a new 4-digit security code feature in the CoWIN portal.

The "4 digit security code" to minimise errors for online bookings/appointments is operational from May 8.The step was taken after it came to notice that some citizens, who had booked their appointment for COVID-19 vaccination through the CoWIN portal but did not actually go for vaccination on the scheduled date, received SMS notification saying that a vaccine dose has been administered to them.

"Upon examination, it has been found to occur largely on account of the vaccinator wrongly marking the citizen as vaccinated, an instance of data entry error by the vaccinator," the Health Ministry stated.

"In order to minimise such errors and the subsequent inconvenience caused to the citizens, the CoWIN system is introducing a new feature of 4-digit security code in the CoWIN application from May 8. Now, after verification, if the beneficiary has been found as eligible, before administering the vaccine dose, the verifier/ vaccinator will ask the beneficiary about his/her 4-digit code and then enter the same in the CoWIN system to correctly record the vaccination status," the Ministry said.

The Ministry further said, "This new feature will be applicable only for citizens who have done an online booking for a vaccination slot. The 4-digit security code will be printed in the appointment acknowledgment slip and will not be known to the vaccinator. The four-digit code will also be sent in the confirmation SMS sent to the beneficiary after successful booking of appointment. The Appointment Acknowledgement slip can also be saved and shown from the mobile."

This will ensure that, for such citizens who have booked an online appointment, the data entries regarding vaccination status of a citizen, are recorded correctly and only for those who book online appointment and avail the services at the centre where they have booked the appointment. This will also reduce the opportunities of impersonation and wrongful use of flexibilities provided in CoWIN for facilitating vaccination coverage," it added.

Here is how you can register for the COVID-19 vaccine after the introduction of the four-digit security code:

- **Visit the CoWIN portal**
- **Register your mobile number by entering your contact details**
- **Enter the OTP you get via SMS. If you have already registered, just sign in with required credentials.**
- **Enter your location; residence, State and District. You can also enter the PIN code of the nearest vaccination centre.**
- **You will be able to see all nearby vaccination centres and slots. Tap on the green slot of preference, select a time slot and confirm the booking**
- **You will be issued a four-digit security code which you will get as a text message. This code will be required to validate your booking on the vaccination day.**
- **After getting vaccinated, you can login to CoWIN portal to download your vaccine certificate.**

Beware ! Vehicle Users

Cops on lockdown duty on Irwin Road this morning.

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The lockdown guidelines banning the use of vehicles caused immense hardships to the people. Complaints of Police high-handedness against civilians reached Vidhana Soudha and the Government was taken to task by Opposition and by people who vented their anger on social media platforms.

This forced Karnataka Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG-IGP) Praveen Sood to issue a clarification that people wishing to buy essentials of daily needs and food products can move around in vehicles.

Clarifying the issue, Sood tweeted around 7 pm yesterday, stating: "To buy groceries, vegetables and daily needs there is NO BAR for using vehicle to your neighbourhood shop in cities or nearest availability point in rural areas. Use this facility with discretion and not as a license for free run every day. Stay at home for your own safety."

During the vehicle seizing drive in city, the Police also collected a total penalty of Rs. 33,200 from those who were found not wearing face masks, not maintaining social distancing and violating lockdown guidelines. Also, 173 cases were registered.

The Police have also sought permission from the Court to take action against the owners of fast food joints for not following the COVID guidelines. Devaraja Traffic Inspector Muniyappa told Star of Mysore that the Police were seizing vehicles that are found moving around unnecessarily and fines are being levied on vehicle owners.

He said that purchases can be made from 6 am to 10 am and residents have to go on foot to shops within 2 kms of their house. One cannot move from one area to another on vehicles in the guise of making purchases.

Only people with medical emergencies, people going to vaccination centres, RT-PCR tests etc. are allowed to go in their vehicles. Others caught moving around should give a valid explanation and reason. The Police, after analysing the reasons, will take a decision whether to let them go or penalise them, the Inspector said.

"As too many vehicles are caught, it is not possible to collect fines on-the-spot and let them go. So we take the vehicles to the Police Station, where we warn the erring motorists, collect fine and release the vehicle," Muniyappa added.

"If everyone starts giving reasons and we allow everyone to move around, what is the use of imposing the lockdown? Purchase of essential items should be made from nearby shops. If the item is available near your house, why should you go to Devaraja Market to purchase that? Have some responsibility and restrict your movement till the COVID cases come down," the Inspector said.

Corona crisis: Minister on temple run

Mysuru, May 11 (SSV)- Co-operation and District in-Charge Minister S.T. Somashekar was on a temple-run yesterday praying for banishing of COVID-19 pandemic which has wreaked havoc across the country.

Accompanied by Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, Mayor Rukmini Madegowda, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev and City BJP President T. S.Srivatsa, the Minister first visited Kote Maramma Temple where a special puja was organised.

It is strongly believed that Kote Maramma, a Goddess will protect people from all kinds of endemics or pandemic. Mysureans, during summer season, offer curd, tender coconut and cooling items to keep her calm.

Shashishekar Dixit, Chief Priest, Sri Chamundeshwari Temple atop the Hill, conducted puja and offered prasada. He said the Goddess will help in saving people from the dreaded contagion.

Later, they visited Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram and offered puja to Dattatreya. Sri Ganapathy Swamiji was present.

Booking over for 18-plus

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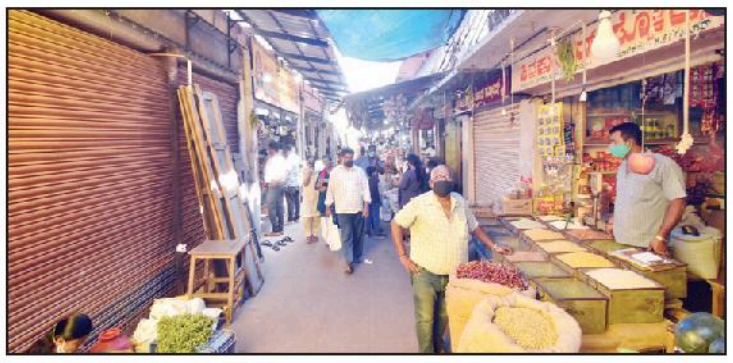
The Mysuru District has been allotted 8,500 doses of both Covishield and Covaxin vaccines from the State Government which had directly purchased them from the companies concerned, and providing them to citizens free of cost.

The Nodal Officer said mere registration in CoWIN portal does not help in getting vaccination as beneficiaries have to get the SMS of scheduling like date, time and place of vaccination. Unless they get scheduling details they must not come to the jab sites, he added. Meanwhile, it is learnt that a few legislators are unhappy over making pre-registration mandatory instead of on-site registration. They were putting pressure on District Officers to vaccinate all those who come to vaccination sites directly without registration.

Traders urge MCC to re-implement odd-even rule at city markets



Mysuru, May 11 (PM&SD)- Fruits and vegetable vendors of three city markets have urged the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) to allow them to function from 6 to 10 am with re-implementation of odd-even rule in all markets of the city.

The MCC had passed the odd-even rule on Apr. 23. Under the system, odd- and even-numbered shops in Devaraja Market, Mandi Market and Vani Vilas Market were allowed to operate on alternate days according to their numbers. But on May 4, the vendors had been asked to shut down their businesses.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Devaraja Market Tenants Association President S. Mahadev said, "Last month, MCC had implemented the odd-even rule and allowed our vendors to function in all markets of city including Devaraja, Mandi and Vani Vilas Markets, but later, all of a sudden the shops were asked to shut down. Without business, traders and vendors were facing a lot of difficulties. We would urge the district administration to review its decision and allow us to function from 6 am to 10 am as earlier."

Vegetable vendor Naveen of Devaraja Market said, "They have allowed supermarkets to function but not us. The State Government has not yet announced any relief package for fruit and vegetable vendors. All vendors here are from poor families. We are earning our bread and butter by selling fruits and vegetables. I request the authorities to reconsider its decision and allow us to sell our products here. We will certainly take all necessary precautionary measures as per the guidelines issued by MCC such as maintenance of social distancing among customers."

President of Mandi Mohalla Market Tenants Association Prem Kumar expressed the same opinion and urged the district administration to at least allow market vendors to function during the upcoming Ramzan festival.

Senior Citizens

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M.A. Saleem's initiative

It was former City Police Commissioner M.A. Saleem who launched 'Abhaya' in Mysuru in 2013. He is now the Additional Director General of Police (ADGP) Administration. When it was launched, as many as 822 houses were identified by the Police during a survey on the number of old people living alone. The programme was on the lines of Aasare, a programme launched in coastal districts for senior citizens.

As per the scheme, the Police would identify senior citizens staying alone as well as elderly couples and make arrangements for their protection including visits by beat Police. Point books will be kept at the houses of senior citizens and Police personnel would visit them daily and make entries. The Police personnel would also make efforts to shift senior citizens with the help of neighbours to the nearest hospitals in case of any health emergency. Help would be extended to them to pay their regular bills too.

"I am happy to see that a novel scheme such as 'Abhaya' is being re-purposed and re-launched in Mysuru," Saleem said.

104 homeless people get shelter
at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry

Mysuru, May 11 (MTY&SD)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has set up a shelter home for the homeless and the poor who have been affected by Janata Curfew and subsequent lockdown to curb the spread of Coronavirus.

Last year, after nationwide lockdown, MCC had established the shelter at the same venue.

The temporary shelter has come up at the Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry on Vinoba Road in city to help the distraught orphans, destitute and others in need of aid. Following orders issued by MCC Commissioner Shilpa Nag, 104 destitute and the homeless, who were living on the footpaths opposite KR Hospital and near City Railway Station were shifted and given shelter at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry yesterday night. MCC will be providing them food and other facilities.

As soon as they were shifted to Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, MCC conducted Rapid Antigen Test for all symptomatic inmates. Five inmates including a woman were found to be positive. All five patients were later admitted to

Mandakalli COVID Care Centre. Each asymptomatic homeless person have now undergone RT-PCR test. The results will be out by tonight or tomorrow.

Yesterday, a donor had volunteered to provide breakfast while Rotary Club distributed lunch and dinner for all the inmates. Many organisations have come forward to donate bed sheets and other daily use items. All 104 persons have been advised to maintain social distancing and wear masks.

MCC has identified 20 homeless persons this morning who will be undergoing RT-PCR test and later sheltered in Town Hall or other care centres in city.

Four persons from a family, hailing from Hosakote, have now been provided shelter here at NR Choultry. According to reports, the family who were on a visit to Mysuru could not return to their native village due to lack of transport facilities and hence were living on the footpath near Railway Station. All four family members comprising husband, wife and two children now have been given shelter at this facility.

Nodal Officer Shivappa has been deployed for shelter home care while MCC Assistant Commissioner Manjunath and AEE Mruthyunjaya will be managing the centre. Cleanliness and sanitation of the centre will be monitored by Health Inspector Rajeshwari.

Avail tele-mode
services at AIISH

Mysuru, May 11- All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, has entered the tele-mode, in view of providing uninterrupted services to the needy. The following staff members may be contacted to avail the services through tele-mode from 9 am to 5.30 pm from Monday to Friday only:

Speech Language Tele-Assessment:	8088059485
Speech-LanguageTele-Therapy:	6361046808
Psychology Consultation:	9342740735, 9538142418
AudiologicalTele -Consultation:	8073995701, 9880980859
Listening Training:	9986219234
ENT Services:	9845602777, 9448413753, 9448051683, 7406439077, 8105366808
Special Education Tele-services:	9980616337
Admission / Entrance Exam related issues:	9663566290
For any other information:	9844181080

KSCA should come to the rescue of sportspersons: MLC

Bengaluru, May 11- With the deadly COIVD-19 on the rampage claiming the lives of many, Congress MLC Mohan Kumar Kondajji has urged KSCA (Karnataka State Cricket Association) to come to the aid of former Cricketers, Umpires and other sportspersons.

In a press release, Kondajji said that he has great respect for sportspersons. "It is very saddening to note that we lost Hockey players Ravindra Pal Singh and M.K. Kaushik, who were members of the Olympic gold winning team due to the deadly pandemic," he said.

Maintaining that it is happy to note that Sports Authority of India (SAI) and Indian Olympic Association (IOA) have formed a group for helping former International sportspersons and Umpires, he said that, likewise, the KSCA should form a group to come to the aid of sportspersons.

The KSCA should also extend facilities to former cricketers, umpires and other sportspersons who are infected with the deadly virus, he added.

Continuing, Mohan Kondajji said that the KSCA has many buildings and vacant spaces at its command at places like Bengaluru (including the famous Chinnaswamy Stadium), Hubballi, Mysuru and Shivamogga. "The rooms available in these buildings should be converted for medical treatment of sportspersons. It is also important to extend financial help for former cricketers," he pointed out.

Welcoming the BCCI's decision to suspend IPL-2021, he urged the National Cricket body to cancel India's tour of England, which features five Tests against England and WTC final match against New Zealand.

Highlighting the risks of touring England at a time when the Coronavirus is on a rampage, he said that our cricketers will get exposed to British mutant strain if the tour goes on as scheduled. The KSCA should use its offices to exert pressure on BCCI President Saurav Ganguly and Secretary Jay Shah to cancel the England tour, he added.

Shops open only on Monday and Friday in Kodagu

Madikeri, May 11 (PS&DM)- Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Charulatha Somal has clarified that people of the district will be allowed to shop for essential commodities only twice a week (Monday and Friday) as per Government guidelines.

Pointing out that though the Government while announcing a 14-day Statewide COVID induced lockdown from May 10 to 24 in order to control the spread of the virus has modified certain guidelines, she said that the tight guidelines in place earlier in the district will continue.

Noting that though the Government has allowed buying of essentials on all days from 6 am to 10 am elsewhere in the State, the DC said that, however in Kodagu, buying of essentials is allowed from 6 am to 12 noon only on Mondays and Fridays.

Stating that delivery of milk and newspaper distribution will be allowed between 6 am and 10 am on all days of the week, she asked the members of the public to follow COVID-19 appropriate behaviour during shopping on both the days.

She also advised the public to buy their essentials at nearby shops and not to use vehicles for purchases.

Since no vehicles were allowed to ply on the roads, people were seen carrying goods and other essential commodities on their shoulders and walking barefoot to reach their homes.

Ramp up Remdesivir production; treat Mysuru as a special case

District Minister visits Jubilant Nanjangud; meets company officials with request

Mysuru, May 11 (BCT)- Jubilant Generics, a pharmaceutical company, in Nanjangud that had turned a COVID-19 positive hotspot during the first wave of the pandemic last year is back in news again, this time however with some positive news in the real sense. District Minister S.T. Somashekar has urged the company to increase production of Remdesivir, the drug that is used to treat COVID patients.

Jubilant produces Remdesivir injection under the brand name 'JUBI-R' 100 mg (lyophilized injection) in India for treatment of COVID-19. In May 2020, Jubilant had entered into a non-exclusive licensing agreement with Gilead Sciences in the US that granted it the right to register, manufacture and sell Gilead's investigational drug Remdesivir in 127 countries, including India.

Visiting the Jubilant factory in Nanjangud yesterday, the Minister met top company officials including Vice-President Lakshminarayan and asked them to consider Mysuru where the COVID-19 situation is worrying as a special case and make the drug available for the treatment of patients admitted in the district based on the request from the District Administration.

Remdesivir is the only antiviral drug that has received Emergency Use Authorization by the USFDA (United States Food and Drug Administration) for treatment of suspected or laboratory confirmed COVID-19 in adults and children hospitalised with severe disease.

Somashekar said the Government was under pressure to meet the vast demand for the drug in the wake of the spike in second wave and there is a danger of the State facing acute shortage of the drug. "Until the cases see a sharp drop and the situation improved, Jubilant can consider producing the drug in higher volumes to meet the demand," the Minister suggested.

"Every other patient admitted in the hospitals of the district is asking for Remdesivir injection. We are happy to note that Jubilant that had become a COVID cluster in the first wave is producing the drug that cures that particular disease," he said.

Jubilant pharmaceutical plant in Nanjangud was temporarily closed for almost two-and-a-half months from March last year after some employees of the company tested positive for COVID-19.

Responding to the Minister's request, Lakshminarayan said that he will bring the matter to the notice of the company management and suggested that the Department of Health and Family Welfare submit a proposal on the quantity of drug it wanted. Company sources said that the senior company management in New Delhi has been sounded about Mysuru District's requirements and a call would be taken based on the request made by the District authorities.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, Nanjangud MLA B. Harshavardhan, MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, Superintendent of Police C.B. Ryshyanth, City BJP President T.S. Srivatsa, special officer Dinesh Gooligowda and others were present.

Need for Ward Committee and COVID-19 Management at local level: AAP

Form COVID Paediatric Wards before impending third wave

Malavika

Mysuru, May 11 (KS)- Aam Aadmi Party (AAP), Mysuru District Convener Malavika Gubbivani has regretted that though Mysureans have been demanding formation of Ward Committees and Area Sabhas for a very long time as per Indian Constitution (74th Amendment) and Karnataka Municipal Act (2011 Amendment), the authorities have been ignoring the demand.

In a press release, she said, "Now that such committees do not exist, the authorities are trying to put together a hotchpotch committee under the Disaster Management Act to get the work done. Without any prior preparation or proper training in management, the committee is trying to manage unevenly distributed scanty resources at a local level. These committees are temporary and will be disbanded as soon as they are no longer required, as it happened in Bengaluru last year with the hastily set up Disaster Committees."

She further stated that Ward Committees and Area Sabhas could be properly setup under the KMC Act with volunteers drawn from service-minded local residents, Resident Associations, etc., train them in required work and added that such a committee will help local authorities in better managing the impending 3rd or 4th wave.

In the meantime, while keeping the management of hospital beds, particularly ICU/HDUs, supply of life saving drugs and oxygen, the authorities could pay attention to form COVID-19 Paediatric Wards as the impending waves are predicted to affect children more than adults and leave the Ward Committees to handle contact tracing, follow up on Home Isolation patients, delivery of essential items to affected families, gathering and verifying information on locally available medical resources, send people for vaccination at booth level, control crowding in market places and so on.

Obituary

Changanda Appaji Appaiah

Mysuru, May 11- Changanda Appaji Appaiah (87), a resident of Rajarajeshwari Nagar, passed away in the wee hours of today in city. He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Mukthidhama in Vijayanagar 4th Stage this morning.

Kottangada Thayamma

Kottangada Thayamma (Somayanda), wife of late Kottangada Nanjappa and a resident of Hinkal, passed away yesterday afternoon in city. She was 88. She leaves behind two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam yesterday evening.

Adengada Prem Poonacha

Adengada Prem Poonacha (67), a resident of Yelwal, passed away at a private hospital in city this morning, following brief illness.

He leaves behind two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held in city, according to family sources.

Khasim Abubaker Sait

Khasim Abubaker Sait (78), younger brother of Gul Mohammad Sait of Ismail Optical Co, passed away yesterday at a private hospital in city following brief illness.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Burial took place in Bengaluru, according to family sources.

Hazrath Syed Ghayazuddin Sha Qadri

Hazrath Syed Ghayazuddin Sha Qadri (80), retired District Judge and a resident of Sir Khazi Street, in Mandi Mohalla, passed away yesterday in city.

Namaz-e-Janaza and burial took place at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle yesterday.

Khalid Ahmed Ashrafi

Khalid Ahmed Ashrafi (65), proprietor of Al-Falah Book store, near Kantharaj Urs Park in Lashkar Mohalla and a resident of Rajivnagar, passed away yesterday night in city

He leaves behind his wife, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Burial took place at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle this morning.

Nadeem Ahmed

Nadeem Ahmed (61), retired Assistant Engineer at VVWW and a resident of N.R Mohalla, passed away yesterday at his residence in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two sons, daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Namaz-e-Janaza and burial took place at the Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle this morning.

Mohammed Rafi

Mohammed Rafi (37), a resident of HUDCO in Bannimantap, passed away this morning at a private hospital in city following brief illness. He leaves behind one brother, four sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza and burial took place in city.

G. Lakshman Rao Abole

G. Lakshman Rao Abole (47), a resident of Mandi Mohalla, passed away yesterday following a heart attack. He leaves behind his wife, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at Jodi Tenginamara Burial Grounds yesterday.

D.S. Shashikala

D.S. Shashikala (58), wife of retired Additional Deputy Commissioner M. Nagaraju and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away yesterday morning in city. She leaves behind her husband, one son, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at Gudamadanahalli village in the taluk.

U.M. Mallappa

U.M. Mallappa (76), retired Manager at LIC and a resident of Vijayanagar 1st stage passed away on Sunday in city. Brother of Past BAI State Chaiman U.M. Gurushanthappa, he leaves behind his wife Jayamma, son Anil, daughter Anitha and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held in city.

Jayamma

Jayamma (75), a resident of Kuvempunagar, passed away yesterday morning following brief illness. She leaves behind daughter, son, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

WORD OF THE DAY

Brummagem

Pronunciation: bruhm-uh-juhm.
Meaning: Showy but inferior and worthless.
Origin: Brummagem, an adjective and noun meaning "showy but inferior and worthless; something of that kind," comes from the local Birmingham (England) pronunciation of Birmingham. The original (and standard) spelling and pronunciation of the city is bir-; the nonstandard or dialect spelling bru– is an example of metathesis, the transposition of sounds, a very common phenomenon. Compare Modern English bird with Middle English brid (brid was the dominant spelling until about 1475; the spelling bird is first recorded about 1419).
The name Birmingham is first recorded as Bermingeham in William the Conqueror's Domesday Book (1086); spelling variants with Br- first appear in 1198 as Brumingeham. In the mid-17th century Birmingham was renowned for its metalworking and notorious for counterfeit coins. Brummagem entered English in the second half of the 17th century.

THE ODD WORD

Bagnio

Bathing house.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Back to the drawing board

Meaning: The phrase back to the drawing board means to start over again because a plan failed to come together; going back to square one.
Origin: Before creating something complex, a drawing board (also called a drawing table or architect's table) might be used to design it first. On these boards, you can make a basic outline of what needs to be done and plan out how it should be created. It's like making a blueprint for your project.
For example, an architect uses a drawing board to plan the measurements of a house before its built. He can also figure out how he wants the interior of the house to look like and where each room would be placed. This helps the architect get a clear idea on how he wants everything to look like overall once it is finished. Then, while the house is being built, if anything goes wrong, the architect might go back to where his plans first started—the drawing board! He would go back here to make any necessary modifications.
The origin of this phrase is believed to come from an American artist named Peter Arno. He wrote a cartoon for the New Yorker in 1941. The cartoon consists of a crashed plane in the background, and there's a man dressed in a suit walking away from the crash site, saying:
"Well, back to the drawing board."

QUOTE BOX

If you look at what you have in life, you'll always have more. If you look at what you don't have in life, you'll never have enough. **—Oprah Winfrey**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Heart to heart.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Past tense of "are"
5 Boeing Commercial Airplanes
8 Bedouin
12 Females in general?
13 __ ___ The Walrus: The Beatles hit (1,2)
14 Former Yugoslav leader
15 Hindu deity
16 Thankful
18 __ Lanka : our southerly neighbour ?
19 Main artery
20 Racing great __-Jo
21 Means of release
23 Pixy, for one
25 Beach house support
27 Muscular canine
31 All there
32 A scull
33 Seine tributary
34 Breakfast table items, should we say ? (3-4)
36 Entices
37 Explosive chemical Trinitrotoluene in short
38 Destiny
39 Over there, poetically contracted?
42 SF writer Asimov
44 Taxi in America ?
47 Caught up with
49 Remain behind
50 Siberian river
51 United Press Intl.
52 A wrongful act or damage that can result in civil action
53 Was aware
54 Liquid distilled from wood or coal
55 Suffer or endure - "reed" anagram ?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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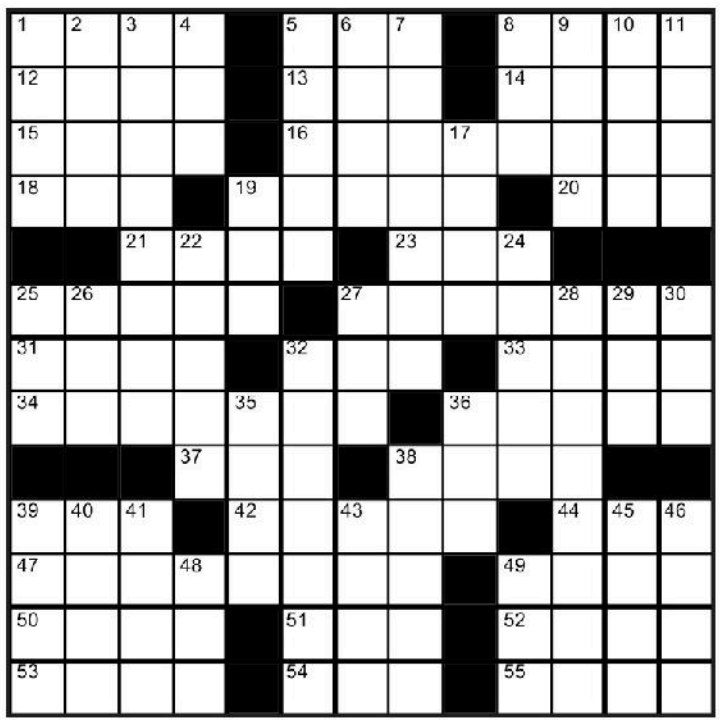
DOWN
1 Marries
2 At all times
3 Refreshing or recovering
4 Conductor __-Pekka Salonen
5 Intolerant person
6 Ex-English cricket big-wig Donald ___
7 Unpaid player
8 Consumed or devoured
9 Jazz phrase
10 Ex-Delhi paceman Wasan
11 Machete - "obol" change?
17 A ___ order : a difficult task assigned?
19 A busy insect
22 Choose
24 Treat with disdain
25 Compass direction
26 Tie-on label
27 History or psychology students?
28 Man on the board of a company?
29 Sugar suffix ?
30 Ground Earth Station
32 Decides to leave or withdraws? (4,3)
35 Fixed amount
36 Resin
38 An ascetic from our continent?
39 Egg yellow
40 Baking chamber
41 Madhuri ___, nee Dixit
43 Aircraft Owners and Pilots Assoc.
45 Swiss river
46 Unit of computer storage
48 Not cooked
49 PCO facility



SUDOKO

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Answer to previous puzzle

5	7	4	1	9	3	8	6	2
2	9	6	8	4	5	3	7	1
8	1	3	7	2	6	4	5	9
9	8	2	5	3	1	7	4	6
7	3	5	4	6	9	2	1	8
4	6	1	2	7	8	9	3	5
6	5	9	3	8	4	1	2	7
1	4	7	9	5	2	6	8	3
3	2	8	6	1	7	5	9	4

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

KGXPUKGXBIH, YBJPXCN MBUFUV, WZHHUHHUH SZX

ZSCN XYOXP, DOX HOWYUKU DUGOXN - G DUGOXN

IZCV GSV GOHXUYU, CBQU XPGX ZT HIOCWXOYU.

TODAY'S CLUE: X EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: You can be a rank insider as well as a rank outsider.

COVID Mitras

help Mysuru fight pandemic better

Within seven days, average daily patients triaged and treated is over 50

Mysuru, May 11 (BCT)- COVID-19 has hit Mysuru. Family, friends and colleagues are infected, hospitals are flooded with patients, there is a shortage of beds, and ambulances are screaming through the streets. There are curfews and lockdowns, and death is in the air.

So how is the healthcare system of Mysuru District coping up with the increased number of patients? It is through a time-tested, effective strategy to face the challenge of a sudden large load on the healthcare system — the concept of 'triage'.

This means that when there are a large number of people needing urgent care and there are limited resources, the victims are divided into multiple categories based on severity of disease. The most severe are treated first as any delay will cost lives. The rest are treated later as per their level of severity.

This idea was first introduced by Napoleon's military surgeons to treat battlefield injuries and showed immediate impact. It is now standard practice in many countries when treating mass casualties. Screening services for early detection of patients is one of the important capabilities of the health system with a proper referral system. In the crisis of respiratory infection of COVID-19, screening based on symptoms is one of the key measures.

The District Administration has seen success in the triage system labelled as 'COVID Mitra' Triage and Counselling Centres that have been opened at three Assembly Constituencies — Chamaraja, Narasimharaja and Krishnaraja.

Early intervention is the key to avoid people flocking to the hospitals with complications, requiring oxygen and ventilators. Treatment should begin once a patient shows symptoms. **Within seven days starting the initiative, the average daily patients triaged and treated in each Primary Health Centre and COVID Mitra centres is about 50.**

A media release from the District Administration said that the number of persons triaged every day in a taluk is almost equal to daily fresh cases. Therefore, the delay in treatment of COVID-19 patients has been removed. This should result in reduced need for hospital admissions, medical complications and need of ICU and ventilator beds as proportion of total COVID-19 patients, the release added.

COVID Mitra Centres have primarily been started to remove all confusion and anxiety among people. These centres will have doctors, medical staff and technicians. Besides, oxygenated beds will be available to patients in case of emergency. All COVID Mitras are supplied with necessary medication and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds of various companies are being used for some of them.

'COVID Mitra' Centres have been established at Seth Mohandas Tulsidas Hospital, JLB Road; Beedi Workers Hospital, NR Mohalla and at Government Ayurveda Hi-Tech Panchakarma Hospital on KRS Road.

The medical team of COVID Mitra consists of final year MBBS students, dental students, nursing students, retired doctors, nurses, retired nurses and paramedics. As all patients do not require hospitalisation, doctors' team will interact with COVID-positive patients with asymptotic or mild symptoms and decide whether they should be hospitalised or put in home quarantine. *[See box: Critical first 5-day cycle]*

COVID Mitra — The immediate Triage and Treatment Solution

Mysuru District Administration understood that the solution lies in immediate triage and treatment from day-1 of onset of symptoms when patients are relatively healthy and can fight the virus in a much better way.

What is COVID Mitra?

COVID Mitras is based on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and work on the principle of local Primary Health Centres (PHCs) continuously available and liaising with the community and citizens.

- *Each of the hundreds of PHCs of Mysuru district have been turned into COVID Mitra Centres where primary focus is triage and treatment of patients from day 1 of catching symptoms.*
- *No RT-PCR test or CT scans are needed to start the treatment of symptomatic persons.*

The moment a person walks in with symptoms:
The person is medically examined by the Physician and triage is completed and immediate follow up treatment is started resulting in one of the following as per medical status of the patient:

- *Medication with advice to isolate and stay at home*
- *Admission in COVID Care Centre*
- *Admission in Hospital*

Each patient, irrespective of the follow up action, immediately starts receiving appropriate medication against the disease.

Contact COVID Mitra

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0821-2519922

NARASIMHARAJA CONSTITUENCY
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0821-2517422

KRISHNARAJA CONSTITUENCY
Seth Mohandas Tulsidas Hospital:
0821-2517922

Critical first 5-DAY cycle of COVID-infected

Most critical time for intervention and control of COVID-19 are the first 5 days from the day of onset of symptoms. These are the crucial days during which the following cycle plays out:

DAY 1 :
ONSET OF MILD SYMPTOMS

- Patient's immediate reaction is self-denial that COVID-19 has caught up with him.
- The patient is both scared and unclear how to approach a doctor immediately.

DAY 2 :
WAIT AND WATCH

- The patient waits.
- It is this wait that turns fatal or leads to complications for many patients.

DAY 3 :
SYMPTOMS WORSENING

- Time to take a COVID test

DAY 4 :
TEST RESULT COMES
(if the patient is lucky)

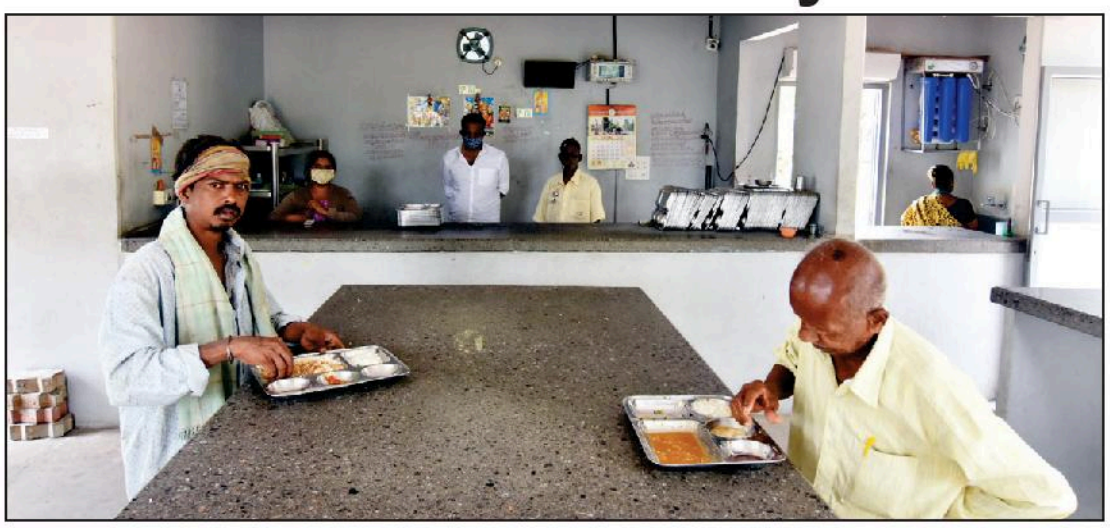
- Panic grips and frantic search for hospital bed starts.

DAY 5 :
CONDITION DETERIORATES
(Panic and rush to hospitals, but no beds)

- At hospitals no one attends to the patient until the patient gets admitted.
- Numerous patients try to get admitted, but no beds

Therefore, the patient takes admission into the hospital out of panic and after delaying treatment for the most critical first five days of the disease. The outcome of the patient is seriously compromised due to these delays.

Free food at city's 11 Indira Canteens till May 24



Bengaluru/Mysuru, May 11 (BCT)- Realising that thousands of migrants and daily wage workers are going hungry in the absence of work and lack of volunteer organisations that supply free food, during the on-going lockdown, the State Government has ordered all Indira Canteens across the State including Mysuru to provide free food till May 24.

The order has been issued this morning by Directorate of Municipal Administration and the decision has been taken by Municipal Administration Minister M.T.B. Nagaraj in consultation with Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa.

Accordingly, the Directorate has written letters to all Deputy Commissioners. The canteens would operate in three schedules — from 7.30 am to 10 am, 12.30 pm to 3 pm and 7.30 pm to 9 pm — the Government said in a public announcement. During the scheduled hours,roadside vendors, labourers and poor would be provided food free of cost. Nagaraj said food packets would be provided to the poor and needy with the help of some organisations through the Canteens and had sought the help of everyone in this regard.

The Government asked people availing the facility to maintain cleanliness at the canteen and staff who serve food to compulsorily use masks and hand gloves. It also said soaps and sanitisers should be made available at the canteens. The Government also asked people to maintain a minimum of one metre gap while standing in queue and take precautionary steps.

There are 11 Indira Canteens Mysuru — CADA Office premises near Gun House Circle, K.R. Hospital (Cheluvamba) premises, Opposite People's Park close to Rural Bus Stand in Government Girls PU Composite College premises, on Shanthinagar Double Road opposite Beedi Workers Hospital, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Park in Ashokapuram, near Kumbarakoppal Gate, on Dr. Rajkumar Road in Kalyangiri, on Jodi Tenginamara Road in Bannimantap, on Lalitha Mahal Road near Alanahalli Junction and near Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram. The Government order has asked local civic body officers to monitor the supply of food at the designated time at the canteens and also update daily the footfalls in all the canteens.

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Boneless Fillet Breat	340	Mutton (Rib Chope)	650
Minced Chicken	350	Boneless KHEEMA	810
Whole Leg	280	Raan Leg KHEEMA (With bone)	690
Drumstick	300	Kidney (Gurda)	670
Lolipop	300	Liver / Spleen (thilli)	520
Wings	280	Mutton Bones	320
Liver & Gizzard	130	Brain	70
Chicken Liver	100	Paaya (1 Dozen), 6 Pair	800
Chicken Gizzards	150	Mutton Fat	250
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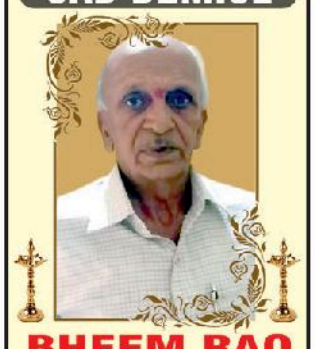

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